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Signature

March 29, 2006

Date of Signature

Our Case No. 11795-4

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Jun Yoshitani et al.

Serial No. 10/630,294

Filing Date: July 30, 2003

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) Examiner: Irene Marx
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) Group Art Unit No.: 1651
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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR § 1.136(a))

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Madam:

This is a petition for an extension of the time to respond to the Restriction/Election Requirement in the Office Action dated February 2, 2006 for a period of one month.

☒ Applicant:

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☒ claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27.

☐ is other than small entity

	<u>Extension Months</u>	<u>Other Than Small Entity</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	One Month	\$120.00	\$60.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Two Months	\$450.00	\$225.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Three Months	\$1,020.00	\$510.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Four Months	\$1,590.00	\$795.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Five Months	\$2,160.00	\$1,080.00

Fee Payment

☒ Attached is a check for \$60.00 for the Petition fee.

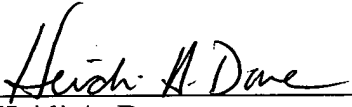
☐ Attached is a credit card authorization form for \$_____ for the Petition fee.

☐ Charge Petition fee to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.

☒ Charge any additional fee required or credit for any excess fee paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: March 29, 2006


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